

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A patient restraint member for use in medical procedures, comprising:

[[A]]a sheet of thermoplastic material that can be softened upon heating so as to be formable into a shape corresponding to a patient's body part to be restrained and setting upon cooling to retain the shape, the sheet having a perimeter edge and being free of additional strips of material;  
spaced apart groups of perforations in the sheet; and  
solid bands extending between the groups of perforations[.];  
a U-shaped frame attached to and extending around a portion of the perimeter edge of the sheet;  
and  
wherein the restraint member has only a single layer of thermoplastic material throughout the  
restraint member.

Claim 2 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 1 wherein the sheet has a perimeter edge and the bands extend inwardly from the edge.

Claim 3 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 2 wherein the bands intersect at a location spaced inwardly from the edge.

Claim 4 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 2 wherein the bands extend perpendicular to the edge.

Claim 5 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 2 wherein the bands extend in a non-perpendicular angle from the edge.

Claim 6 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 2 wherein the bands extend completely across the sheet.

Claim 7 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 1 wherein the sheet has a perimeter edge without perforations.

Claim 8 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 1 wherein the solid bands extend across the sheet.

Claim 9 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 1 wherein the spaces between the groups of perforations define the solid bands.

Claim 10 (Currently amended): A patient restraint member for use in medical procedures, comprising:

a partially perforated sheet of thermoplastic material that can be softened upon heating so as to be formable into a shape corresponding to a patient's body part to be restrained and setting upon cooling to retain the shape, the sheet having a perimeter edge and being free of additional strips of material;  
at least one non-perforated band extending at least partially across the sheet to enhance rigidity of the sheet[.];

a U-shaped frame attached to and extending around a portion of the perimeter edge of the sheet:  
and  
wherein the restraint member has only a single layer of thermoplastic material throughout the  
restraint member.

Claim 11 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 10 wherein the sheet has a perimeter edge and the band extends perpendicular to the edge.

Claim 12 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 10 wherein the sheet has a perimeter edge and the band extends at a non-perpendicular angel to the edge.

Claim 13 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 10 wherein the sheet has opposite side edges and opposite top and bottom edges, and the edges are non-perforated.

Claim 14 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 13 wherein the band extends between the opposite side edges.

Claim 15 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 10 wherein the band extends completely across the sheet.

Claim 16 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 10 wherein the sheet has a perimeter edge and further comprising a plurality of non-perforated bands extending inwardly from the perimeter edge.

Claim 17 (Original): The patient restraint member of claim 10 wherein the bands criss-cross the sheet.